



TESTIMONY

of the

CONNECTICUT CONFERENCE OF MUNICIPALITIES

to the

JUDICIARY COMMITTEE

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The Connecticut Conference of Municipalities (CCM) is Connecticut's statewide association of towns and cities and the voice of local government - your partners in governing Connecticut. Our members represent over 90% of Connecticut's population. We appreciate the opportunity to testify on the following bill of interest to towns and cities:

S.B. 96, "An Act Concerning Service of Process by Constables

CCM opposes this bill.

S.B. 96 would allow municipal constables the ability to do process of service throughout the State and beyond the current scope under which they operate.

CCM is concerned about the increased liability exposure to municipalities, as they insure constables. The bill contains no requirement that constables have their own insurance, and there are no training requirements for constables.

S.B. 96 would leave municipalities with serious exposure if something is done improperly, as they act on behalf of municipalities.

CCM urges you to take no action on this bill.

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